

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 07738-0173-01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		
Erich P. LERCHENFELD et al.		Group Art Unit: 1761
Application No.: 10/691,581		Examiner: Carolyn A. Paden
Filed:	October 24, 2003	
For:	BEVERAGES CONTAINING PLANT STEROLS	Confirmation No.: 6955

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2005, the period for response having been extended to February 2, 2006, by the Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following Remarks.